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On page 1, first paragraph, replace the paragraph with:

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54.The method of claim [53] --45--further comprising capturing audio signals with a second microphone positioned in the headset, the first microphone detecting a greater proportion of speech sounds of a user than the second microphone processing the signals generated by the first and second microphones to determine if the user is speaking as opposed to extraneous noise being captured.

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